Meret Neith Corrected – 28/08/2022

: a re-analysis of an earlier paper of the same name

Introduction

> Hi Ian. Reading your latest about Meret Neith. I have a few questions.
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> 1. Why do you say a descendent of Noah through Narmer? All are descended from Noah, are we not?
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> 2. You assume she was the wife of Djet / Atothis II. You then assume she was anti-Horus. But you cite no evidence of that.
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> 3. Alternate interpretation. Neith was the name of Naamah. She was the ultimate pro-Horus faction. When she married Narmer/Nimrod she took the name Neith-Hotep which means Neith is at peace. After his execution/death, she busied herself recovering the parts of his body while Atothis II/Djet ruled as vassal. When she was ready, she took the throne as Djer and Merneith. Djer was her male persona, and Merneith, meaning beloved Neith, was herself married to the next successor in the line of power. Her son Gilgamesh/Horus II, later came to the throne with her as co-regent, but murdered her after a 12 year co-regency.

The writer brings up some valid points which I must now set in order.

Fact Base

David Rohl, wisely or otherwise, identified Nimrod (not Nimroud) as En-mer-kar of Dynasty One of Uruk (Erech) – see Chart below.

The association between Djet and Athothis II is wrong. Currently Djet, IMO, is Athothis I; Kenkenes is Athothis II.

Discussion

In answer to your first question, I say, "descendent of Noah through Narmer" to indicate which line going back back to Noah the person is traceable. In other words, all descendants of Noah are not descendants through Narmer (he being a grandson or great grandson of Noah).

Regarding your second question, in answer to the first part it is a common assumption that Meret-Neith is the wife of Djet. There is also a Wiki on the subject of Meret-Neith which will lead you to the inscriptional evidence. Regarding the second part of your second question, I regard Meret-Neith as anti-Horus on the following bases:

1. Her son Den was, at the least tutored by Arphaxad (in the identity of Aristachos) for the last 34 years of Arphaxad's life. This can be evidenced by Geoge the Monk, Syncellus' commentary on Peleg and his relationship to Arphaxad. See Waddell.

2. Arphaxad was a descendant of Shem ie his second son after Elam. He, according Syncellus, was followed in rule by Peleg who I believe, in a previous communication with you I identified as Pemphos (in hieroglyphics a priestly figure).

3.I am certain that Horus did not at any time bear the insignia of a Shemite priest!

4. The dating of Athothis I is drift-dated from the birth of Noah (a very common benchmark).

Regarding your alternate proposal, if you accept my answers to the first two questions you would no longer be able to sustain this position.

Conclusion

I hope this helps. Regards,

Ian.

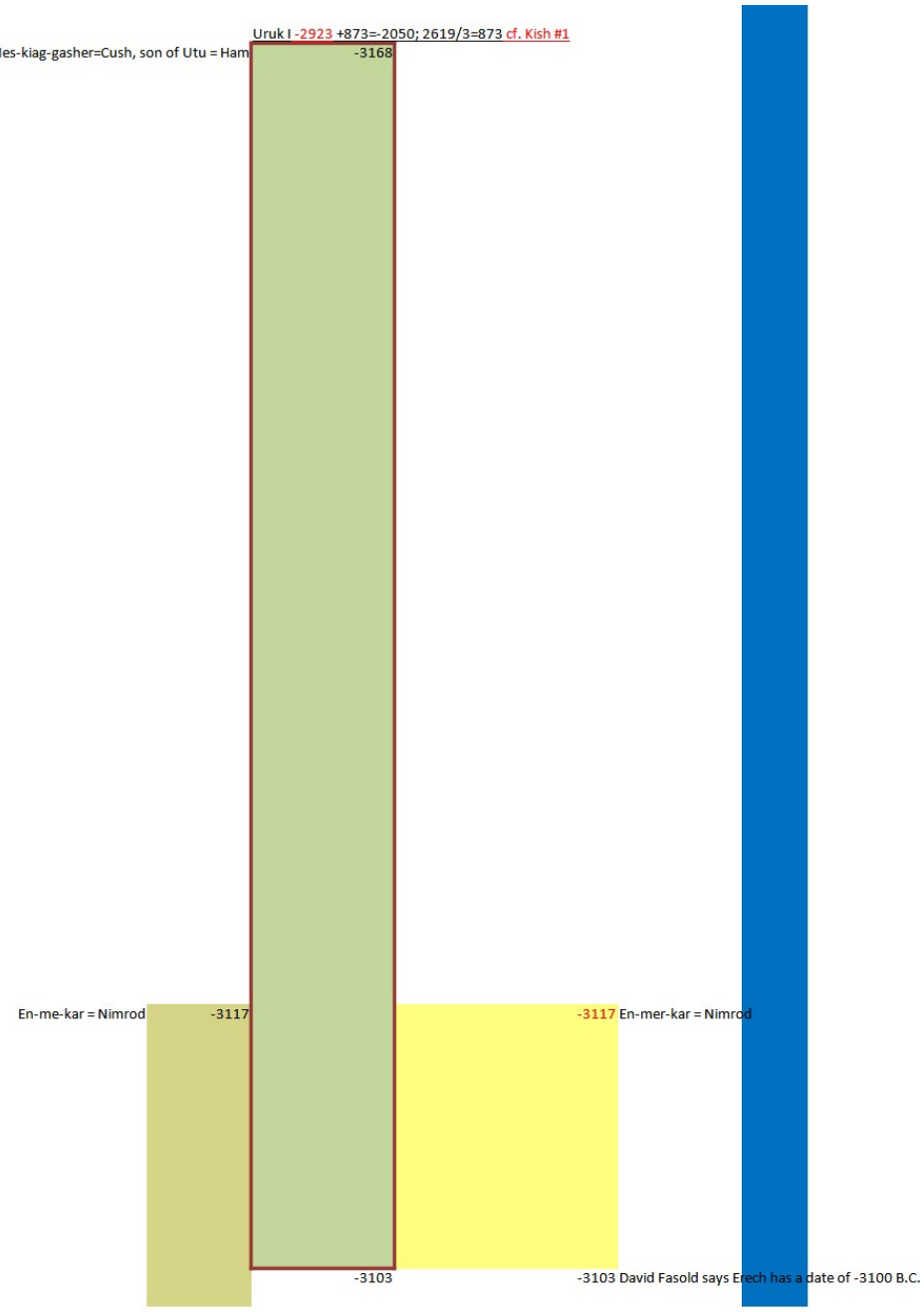

Figure 1: CUT chronology for Dynasty #1 of Uruk (Erech).